

**AN ORDINANCE VACATING THE TOWNSHIP'S AUTHORITY AND CONTROL OVER A PORTION OF VALLEY VIEW ROAD IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**WHEREAS**, Valley View Road is a right-of-way depicted on the Township's current Tax Map; and

**WHEREAS**, Valley View Road was created by a Map entitled "Map of Valley View Acres" filed in the Somerset county Clerk's office on April 12, 1954; and

**WHEREAS**, Valley View Road was extended by virtue of a map entitled "Map of Property of James J. Gardner" filed in the Somerset County Clerk's office on May 27, 1958; and

**WHEREAS**, the extension of Valley View Road created a new cul-de-sac and the existing Cul-de-sac was removed; and

**WHEREAS**, the right-of-way for the removed cul-de-sac still exists; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council believe there is no public benefit to the 65' radius right-of way; and

**WHEREAS**, replacement with a 50' straight continuation of right-of-way is consistent with Township Right-of-way design standards; and

**WHEREAS**, a request has been made by Eileen & Andrew Okolovitch, Owners of Block 700, Lot 37 for the Township to vacate its authority and control over the sections of Valley View Road described in the attached Schedule A; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40:67-19 provides authorization of the Township to release and extinguish public rights, and the rights of the Township, arising from the dedication of the street;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The rights of the public and the Township of Bridgewater in and to portions of Valley View Road as described more particularly in the attached Schedule A are hereby extinguished and vacated;
2. The Township Clerk shall, within 60 days of the effective date of this Ordinance, file a copy of this Ordinance certified by her under the seal of the Township to be a true copy thereof, together with proof of publication, in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Somerset in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:67-21.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with New Jersey law.

Adopted: April 20, 2023

Effective: May 11, 2023